

Improvement

FOR SALE,
THE desirable PROPERTY on Queen's
Road, lately occupied by Messrs
SMITH, KENNEDY & Co.
For further particulars, apply to
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.,
Hongkong, September 2, 1867.

For Particulars, apply to
ARNHOLD KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, July 2, 1869; H.

Hongkong, June 21, 1969,

amount of £10,000 on any Building, or on
 Merchandise in the same.
 GILMAN & Co.
 Hongkong, June 2, 1864.

Three months, per cent.
Six months "
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, April 7, 1868,

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Insurance.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
 designed having been appointed to the above Corporation, to grant Fire and Marine Insurance Terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
 Agents, December 20, 1867.

Insurance Office.

designated having been appointed to the above Insurance Office, to grant Fire and Marine Insurance Terms, on any first class vessel or cargo, on the usual rate in case of loss, in Canton, Calcutta, Bombay, or London.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
 Agents, June 21, 1864.

NOTICE.

INSURANCE COMPANY.

owing rates will be charged in for short period Insurance, as follows:

One month 1 per cent.
 Three months 2 per cent.
 Six months 3 per cent.
 Twelve months 4 per cent.

Monthly, The Annual Rate of 10 per cent. will be charged.

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Post-Office Notifications.

1. On the 1st October next, and thenceforward Money Orders will be issued at this Office and at the Agencies thereof at Shanghai and Yokohama on all the Money Order Office in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amounts not exceeding £100, at the rate of Exchange of 100 to the Pound, and with the addition of 10 per cent. for the cost of the Order, according to the following Table:

For sums not exceeding £25, 12 pence.
 Above £25 and not exceeding £50, 24 pence.
 Above £50 and not exceeding £100, 48 pence.

2. No Money Order to include a fractional part of a Penny.

3. Orders drawn in the United Kingdom upon Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama, will be paid at the rate of Exchange at which Money Orders are being issued at the time of their presentation.

4. Applications for Money Orders must be made in full, the name, and, at least, the initials of one Christian name, both of the Remitter and the Payee; if the Remitter or Payee be a Peer or a Bishop, his ordinary title will be sufficient; if a firm, the usual designation of such firm, such as "Baring Brothers" will suffice; but the full name of the firm, such as "Messrs. Baring Brothers & Co." or the name of a Company trading under a name which does not contain the name of the persons composing it, such as "Carson & Co." is inadmissible.

5. The Remitter on sending the Order to be forwarded only through a Bank, to have the option of giving or withdrawing the name of the Bank; in such case, the Order will be crossed in the same way that Cheques are commonly crossed when they are intended to be paid through a Bank.

6. When an Order is presented through a Bank, a receipt by any person will be sufficient provided the Order be crossed with the name of the receiving Bank, and be presented by some Person known to be in the employ of such Bank.

7. The signature of the Payee of a Money Order to be affixed to the Order in the place provided for the purpose. If the Payee be unable to write he must sign the receipt by making his mark in the presence of a Witness, who must sign his name, with his address in the presence of the Officer who pays the Order.

8. Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment in the Country in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order be indorsed to the Postmaster of the Office in which it was drawn. In such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

9. In the event of a Money Order being lost or being lost, a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

10. On the receipt of a similar application, orders will be given to stop payment of a Money Order, or to renew a lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the last case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

11. But when it is desired that any error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected, or that the amount of a Money Order should be repaid, to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it have reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

12. Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the Remitter until he has been satisfied that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

13. Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission to be deducted from the amount of the Order, will be charged) will become necessary.

14. If an Order be not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn, for instance, if drawn in January and not paid before the end of the following January, all claims to the Money will be forfeited, unless, in special circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

15. After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If a wrong payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony in which the negligence occurs will, if he see fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

16. No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

17. Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

18. Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command, **F. W. MITCHELL,** Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 23rd August, 1868.

Post-Office Notifications.

It is hereby notified, by order of His Excellency Sir Richard Graves McDonnell, that henceforward, the rates of Postage chargeable on Packets of Printed Papers or Patterns of light weight sent from Hongkong to the United Kingdom, when forwarded via Southampton, will be as follows:

For a Packet not exceeding one ounce in weight, 2 cents.

For a Packet above one ounce and not exceeding two ounces, 4 cents.

And of double these rates when forwarded via Marseilles.

Packets of greater weight, than two ounces will remain subject to the same rates as are now chargeable, viz.:

8 cents for every four ounces when forwarded via Southampton, and

12 cents for every four ounces when forwarded via Marseilles.

This alteration will apply to Printed Circulars, Price Lists, Market Reports and all printed papers other than Newspapers, as well as to Books and Trade Catalogues or similar.

F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 12th August, 1868.

Post-Office Notifications.

It is hereby notified for general information that henceforward closed mails for the United Kingdom will be made up at this Office and forwarded to London by the United States Mail Packet via San Francisco.

Correspondence intended to be forwarded by this route must be addressed to "San Francisco."

Letters, Newspapers, Books and Patterns, will be liable to the same rates of postage as those sent by the British Mail Packet via Southampton viz.:

For Letters, 24 cents per half-ounce.

For each Newspaper not exceeding 4 ounces, 4 cents.

For a packet of Books or Patterns, 8 cents per 4 ounces.

The Postage must in all cases be paid in advance; correspondence not fully prepaid will be sent via Suva.

F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 23rd August, 1868.

Post-Office Notifications.

1. It is hereby notified for general information that the Contract between the Government of Mauritius and the Union Steamship Company for the Conveyance of Mails once a Month between Ceylon and Mauritius, and between Mauritius and Natal, having terminated, the correspondence for Mauritius will be forwarded from this Office by the India Mail, from whence it will be sent to the destination by the French Mail Packet leaving Aden for Reunion and Mauritius on the 23rd of each Month.

2. No alteration has been made in the rates of Postage on correspondence addressed to Mauritius.

3. As the communication with Natal and the Cape of Good Hope is thus cut off, the correspondence for those Colonies, unless marked to be forwarded by Private Ship, will in future be sent in the Mails for London at the following rates of Postage, which must be paid in advance, viz.:

Upon Letters sent by way of Southampton, 46 cents each, on When sent by way of Marseilles, 54 " "

Newspapers via Southampton, 4 " "

Newspapers via Marseilles, 6 " "

Book Packets via Southampton, 10 " "

Book Packets via Marseilles, 14 " "

Under 4 oz.; 28 cents above for each additional 8 oz.; and 30 cents for every additional 8 ounces.

F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 9th September, 1868.

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